PATENT
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: 040894-7146

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Nobuaki YAGI et al.)   Confirmation No.: 6809
)
Application No.: 10/519,194)   Group Art Unit: 3721
)
Filed: December 22, 2004)   Examiner: M. Lopez
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For: LOCK MECHANISM OF TABLE)   **Mail Stop Amendment**
       OF ELECTRIC STAPLER)

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner of Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM

1.   Transmitted herewith is an Amendment responding to the Office Action
       dated December 10, 2008.

2.   Additional papers enclosed:

☐   Replacement Drawings
☐   Information Disclosure Statement
☐   Form PTO-1449, _____ references included
☐   Citations
☐   Declaration of Biological Deposit
☐   Submission of "Sequence Listing", computer readable copy and/or amendment
       pertaining thereto for biotechnology invention containing nucleotide and/or amino
       acid sequence.

3. Extension of Time

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of
37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

☒ Applicants believe that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

☐ Applicants petition for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), for the total number of months checked below:

Total Months Requested	Fee for Extension	[Fee for Small Entity]
☐ one month	$ 130.00	$ 65.00
☐ two months	$ 490.00	$ 245.00
☐ three months	$ 1,110.00	$ 555.00
☐ four months	$ 1,730.00	$ 865.00

Extension of time fee due with this request: $_____

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a Petition therefor.

☐ An extension for _____ months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of $_____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

4. Constructive Petition

☒ EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

5.   <u>Fee Calculation</u> (37 C.F.R. §1.16)

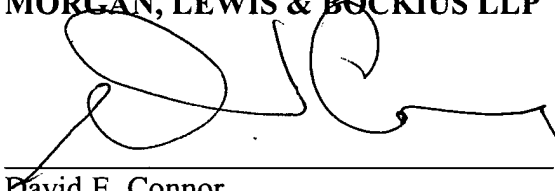| CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid	Present Extra	at Rate of	Total Fees
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(c))	5	minus	20	0	x $52 each=	+ $
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R.§1.16(b))	4	minus	5	0	x $220 each=	+ $
[ ] First presentation of Multiple dependent claim(s)					$390.00	+ $
SUB-TOTAL =						$
Reduction by ½ for filing by a small entity						- $
TOTAL FEE =						$

6.   Fee Payment

☒   No fee is to be paid at this time.

☐   The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge _____ for
_____ to Deposit Account 50-0310.

☒   The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may
be required, including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any
overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated December 10, 2008, and pursuant to

37 C.F.R. § 1.111, the period of response which extends through March 10, 2009, please amend

the above identified application as follows: